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## FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGIST

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For this number Dr. C. F. Hodge contributes an especially valuable and timely article. There is little doubt but that the mosquito problem is the most important the state, as a whole, has to solve. And the most difficult part of the work is to dissipate the popular notion that little or nothing can be done about it; that mosquitoes are an inevitable part of Florida and therefore best ignored; that it is not good "boosting" to mention the subject; that they fly long distances and mostly breed in swamps and marshes whose drainage at this time is out of the question.

It seems to us that the best and quickest method of eliminating mosquitoes from a town is to hire a man who knows their breeding habits to see to it that no one allows mosquitoes to breed on his premises. We once lived in a town of 10,000 which paid a man to spend his entire time inspecting yards, alleys and vacant lots. That was a clean town and a favorite of tourists and health seekers. As Dr. Hodge remarked before the Society, "Few men can be trusted to know what is in their own back yards".

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" \* \* \* and ology it must be with 'all other ologies whatsoever' ". Seventeen letters expressing preference for FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGIST were received by the Secretary in response to the Business Manager's remarks on the change of name of THE BUGGIST (p. 60, vol. III) ; seven from inspectors in the Nursery Inspection Department (two not members of the Society, two with unpaid dues 2 and 3 years, two with unpaid dues 1920) ; four from the Quarantine Department (two with unpaid dues 2 years) ; two from Citrus Canker Inspectors (both dues 2 years unpaid) ; one grove manager (dues 2 years unpaid) ; one County

Demonstration Agent (dues paid); and two professional entomologists (dues paid).

It is known that at least one of the movers of the resolution of February 23, while on a trip in the state in June, advised on the matter with one or more of his assistants in the Sand Hill country. Seven responded (three addressing their letters in care of their boss); the next largest number also responded in perfect harmony; the two canker inspectors and an ex-canker inspector addressed their letters in care of their boss and ex-boss.

One writer is "Looking down through the annals of entomology"; another, quite poetical himself, accuses the editor of bursting forth in poetry, but fails to observe that the editor was responsible for neither the poetry on page 72 nor the remarks on page 60. Another "would want a good *english* word".

Now that we are dignified, will the movers of the resolution of February 23 see to it that the delinquent ones pay up their dues and the non-members become members of the Society? 23.—E. W. B.

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## PERSONALS

Doctor Newell. It was with peculiar pleasure that we read in Science for July 2, among the names of those upon whom the Iowa State College, at the June commencement, conferred the degree of Doctor of Science, that of our most distinguished and widely known member, Wilmon Newell.

Mr. C. A. Bennett, in charge of the camphor thrips investigations at Satsuma, has resigned from the U. S. Bureau of Entomology. He will engage in the garage business in Palatka.

County Agent Marcellus Javens of Lake County, has resigned.

Mr. R. N. Wilson, the first secretary of our society and until recently county agent at Riverside, Cal., now holds a very responsible position as secretary of a legislative committee for agriculture at Sacramento, Cal.

Mr. Thomas H. Jones of the Division of Truck Crop Insect Investigations of the U. S. Bureau of Entomology, who was located at Ft. Myers during the winter, has returned to Baton Rouge, La.

Mr. H. S. Dozier, who has held an entomological fellowship at Ohio State University during the past year, is now with the Mississippi State Plant Board.